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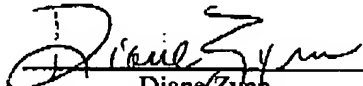
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 18, 2006, Applicants elect, without traverse, for prosecution Group III, Claims 6-13, drawn to a method of manufacturing piezoelectric ceramics comprising firing a green compact, classified in class 264, subclass 671.

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